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MISSOURI WEEKLY FEEDER CATTLE WEIGHTED AVERAGE REPORT

Receipts 28,839; Week ago 8294; Year ago 34,992 Medium and Large 1 (Medium Flesh)

Fdr. ST	EERS:	Fdr. Hl	EIFERS:	Hols.	<u>STEERS</u>
360 lbs.	130.28	364 lbs.	110.72	386 lbs.	85.00
458 lbs.	120.24	462 lbs.	106.66	415 lbs.	85.25
557 lbs.	111.41	553 lbs.	96.41	553 lbs.	71.69
652 lbs.	99.71	652 lbs.	92.03	674 lbs.	71.50
743 lbs.	95.10	732 lbs.	88.39	736 lbs.	71.07
847 lbs.	92.26	848 lbs.	85.85	836 lbs.	69.54
958 lbs.	89.71	919 lbs.	81.85	943 lbs.	67.50

SOUTHERN MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(West Plains, Gainesville)

Receipts: 2700; Week ago 1433; Year ago 4424 Compared to last week, steers under 650 lbs and heifers under 500 lbs 2.00 to 5.00 higher, heavier weights steady to mostly 2.00 lower. Slaughter cows steady to 1.00 lower, Bulls steady to 1.00 higher.

<u>STEERS:</u> Medium and Large 1			FERS: and Large 1
350-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-550 lbs. 550-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	122.00-130.00 112.50-125.00 104.00-114.00 97.00-105.00 90.00-100.00 87.00-92.00	500-550 lbs. 550-600 lbs.	103.00-113.00 94.00-105.00 88.00-95.00 85.00-88.00 85.00-89.00
Large 3	Holsteins	SLAUGHTER C Breaking and Bo	

500-575 lbs.	72.50-74.00
Load 676 lbs.	72.50
Lot 892 lbs.	67.50

<u>SLAUGHTER BULLS:</u> Yield Grade 1-2, 1100-2250 lbs 55.00-63.00, low dressing 47.50-55.00,

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2 5 yrs to ss 1050-1400 lbs with 150-300 lbs calves 970.00-1050.00 per pair, several blk/blk baldies 5-7 yrs 1100 lbs with 450 lb calves (above average quality) 1250.00 per pair.

high dressing 63.00-67.50

REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium and Large 1-2 2 to 7 yrs, 1025-1500 lbs (above average quality and most home raised) 2nd and 3rd stage 800.00-950.00 per head, 2 lots 32 head Limousin cross 3 to 5 yrs 1100-1150 lbs uniform 3rd stage 1220.00-1280.00 per head, lot 12 head ss blk.blk baldies 1370 lbs 3rd stage 840.00 per head.

84.00.

lean) 45.00-52.50, high dressing

42.50-47.50, low dressing 34.50-

50.00-57.50. Lean (85-90%)

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SOUTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Joplin and Springfield)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 7380; week ago 0; year ago 10,957 Cow and Bull Receipts 1312; week ago 0; year ago 1955 Compared to two weeks ago, Feeder steers and heifers 3.00 to 5.00 lower. Slaughter cows and bulls mostly 2.00 to 4.00 higher.

STEERS:		HEIF	ERS:
Medium ar	nd Large 1	Medium a	nd Large 1
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	Scarce 112.00-128.00 100.50-116.50 91.50-101.00 89.50-100.00 87.50-93.75	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	Scarce 93.50-108.00 90.00-107.50 88.50-94.00 83.50-90.00 83.75-86.00
HOLST Large F 200-300 lbs. 300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.		and Boning (70- 51.00, high dress Lean (85-90%) 3 dressing 29.50-3 <u>SLAUGHTER F</u> Grade 1-2, 1295	BULLS: Yield -2410 lbs 58.00- sing 62.00-70.50,
Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss, 1015-1365 lbs, 2nd and 3rd		COW & CALF F and Large 1-2, 3 1300 lbs. with 14 calves, several re 1085 per pair.	yrs to ss, 950- 0 to 350 lb

NORTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Maryville, St Joe)

Receipts: 5388, Week ago 1540, Year ago 3509

Feeder steers and heifers under 600 lbs 2.00 to 8.00 higher, over 600 lbs steady to 3.00 lower. Slaughter cows and bulls 3.00 to 5.00 higher.

<u>FEEDER S</u> Medium an			<u>HEIFERS</u> : .nd Large 1
400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs. 900-1000 lbs.	114.00-128.00 103.75-126.00 93.50-106.00 94.00-98.00 89.00-94.50 88.75-91.25	500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	99.50-115.00 90.85-106.75 88.50-96.00 85.25-95.00 87.75-89.00
REPLACEMENT and Large 1 3 to 6 lbs 3rd stage black 1100.00, pkg 1310 SLAUGHTER ST ERS: Package Ch	yrs 1050-1230 1075.00- .00 per head. EERS and HEIF-	SLAUGHTER C and Boning (70-8 49.00, high dress Lean (85-90%) 3 SLAUGHTER B Grade 1-2, 2000-	35% lean) 44.00- ing 48.00-49.00, 7.00-44.00.

62.00,

WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Sedalia, Kingsville, Passaic)

Receipts 3857; Week ago 229; Year ago 4166 Compared to two weeks ago, feeder steers and heifers under 600 lbs firm, over 600 lbs 2.00 to 6.00 lower. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 lower than last week.

FEEDER S Medium and I			<u>HEIFERS</u> : Large 1 & 1-2
300-400 lbs 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	119.00-148.00 102.00-133.00 95.00-121.85 91.00-109.60 88.00-98.10 88.00-96.35	600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	105.00-117.00 95.00-113.00 86.25-110.00 84.00-94.85 83.25-89.50 83.25-84.25
REPLACEMENT Scarce	COWS:	SLAUGHTER C and Boning (75-8 51.50, High dress Lean (85-90%) 4 dressing 39.50.	OWS: Breaking 35% lean) 43.00-sing 51.00-56.75,
COW & CALF PA Scarce	AIRS:	SLAUGHTER B Grade 1-2, 1295- 66.00, low dressi high dressing 66.	2340 lbs 57.50- ng 50.00-52.00,

EAST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Bowling Green, Kingdom City, Boonville) Receipts: 2338; Week ago 2738; Year ago 4308

Compared to last week feeder steers and heifers mostly steady. Slaughter cows 2.00 to 7.00 higher.

FEEDER ST Medium and La			HEIFERS: Large 1 & 1-2
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-825 lbs.	Scarce 110.00-119.00 99.00-121.00 92.00-100.50 90.00-95.00 88.00-91.00	350-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs Pkg. 725 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	98.00-111.00 90.00-109.00 88.00-106.00 86.50-94.50 91.50 Scarce
SLAUGHTER STI and Choice 2-4 82.		SLAUGHTER C Boning, and Lean 40.00-52.00, high 60.25, low dressi	n (70-90% lean) n dressing 50.00-
SLAUGHTER HE and Choice 2-4 81. high dressing 87.00	75-84.75, pkg	SLAUGHTER B Grade 1-2, 1400- 64.00.	

NORTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Palmyra, Green City, New Cambria, Macon)
Feeder Cattle Receipts 5278; week ago 1340; year ago 3979
Slaughter Cattle Receipts 39; week ago 44; year ago 76
Feeder steers and heifers steady to 4.00 higher. Slaughter cows 4.00 to 6.00 higher. Slaughter Heifers 2.00 higher.

FEEDER S Medium and		HEIFERS: nd Large 1-2
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs.	115.00-115.50 105.00-117.25 94.00-106.50 91.25-98.00 89.50-93.10 Scarce
SLAUGHTER ST Choice 2-3 Scarc	SLAUGHTER C and Boning (75-3 low dressing Sca	85% lean) Scarce,
SLAUGHTER HI 2-3 1150-1400 lbs	SLAUGHTER E Grade 1-2, 1400- 67.00	

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2 3-5 yrs

1275.00 per head.

1100-1400 lbs 3rd stage 1200.00-

1-2 Heifers to 6 yrs 850-1000 lbs

with baby calves 1100.00-

1175.00 per pair.

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Fruitland, Patton)

Receipts 1445; Week ago: 1357; Year ago 1433 Compared to last week 500 lb steers sold 4.00 lower, with the rest of the offering 1.00 to 4.00 higher. Slaughter cows and bulls 2.00 higher. demand uneven and supply light.

	STEERS: d Large 1-2		HEIFERS: nd Large 1-2
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-750 lbs.	86.50-110.00 86.50-102.50	300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-650 lbs. 700-775 lbs.	89.00-108.00 82.00-98.00 78.50-96.00 80.00-90.00 78.00-84.50
REPLACEMENT Medium and Larg 925-1420 lbs, 2nd 570.00-670.00 pe	ge 1-2, 2 to 7 yrs, d-3rd stage	SLAUGHTER C and boning (75-8 43.50; high dress Lean 28.50-35.50	5% lean) 37.00- ing 42.25-46.75,
COW & CALF P and Large 1-2 3 t 1345 lbs with 150 850.00-985.00 pe	o 7 yrs 1080- 0-230 lbs calves	SLAUGHTER B Grade 1-2, 1395 52.25, high dress	-2070 lbs, 47.50-

SOUTH CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Cuba, Vienna)

Receipts: 1896, Week ago 0, Year ago 2940

FEEDER STEERS:

Medium and Large 1

Compared to two weeks ago feeder steers uneven 3.00 higher to 3.00 lower, heifers steady to 4.00 lower Slaughter cows 3.00 to 4.00 higher.

FEEDER HEIFERS:

Medium and Large 1

300-400 lbs.	106.50-110.50	300-400 lbs.	106.50-110.50
400-500 lbs.	109.50-122.50	400-500 lbs.	92.50-109.00
500-600 lbs.	100.00-117.25	500-600 lbs.	87.00-95.00
600-700 lbs.	94.50-103.25	600-700 lbs.	86.00-92.00
700-800 lbs.	92.25-99.00	Pkg. 708 lbs.	88.25
REPLACEMENT dium and Large 1 1000-1500 lbs 2n 680.00-890.00 pe	-2 2 to 7 yrs d and 3rd stage	and Boning (70- 51.00, Lean (85	COWS: Breaking -85% lean) 43.00- -90%) 37.00- sing 30.50-42.00
COW & CALF P and Large 1-2, So		,	0-1850 lbs. 55.00- ssing 60.00-63.25,

MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT SLAUGHTER CATTLE REPORT

Weekly Receipts 200; Week ago 400; Year ago 400 Compared to last week, trade inactive as of 8:00 a.m. Friday. No confirmed live sales or dressed sales this week.

STEERS: 40-60 % Choice 1300	STEERS AND HEIFERS:
lbs 87.00 late last Friday	Carcass sales: No sales reported
HEIFERS: No Sales	GRADE AND WEIGHT (Grid):

Choice 3 550-950 lbs No Sales

INTERIOR MISSOURI DIRECT HOGS

Weekly Receipts 13,549, Week ago 5255; Year ago 12,430 Compared to last weeks close barrows and gilts steady to 1.00 higher. Sows steady to 1.00 lower.

BARROWS AND GILTS:	SOWS:
Base carcass meat price 50.00-	300-500 lbs 22.00-27.00
54.00. Weeks top Friday 54.00	Over 500 lbs 28.00-32.00

MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT WEANER AND FEEDER PIG REPORT

Receipts: 10,725

Compared to last week, weaner pigs steady to weak and feeder pigs not tested. Supply and Demand Moderate.

All pig prices based on a delivered basis including freight and fees.

Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights Delivered 90% formulated 10,725 head 10 lbs 32.75-41.25, weighted average 10 lbs 36.85

Feeder pigs 40-50 base weights Delivered 0 % formulated No sales reported

WHOLESALE FEEDSTUFFS PRICES (DOLLARS PER TON-BULK BASIS)

Area	Soybean Meal 48% Solvent	Cottonseed Meal 41% Solvent	Meat Meal	Wheat Middlings
Kansas City	200.30	188.75	195.00	138.00
St. Louis	215.50	181.50	195.00	122.50

Missouri Weekly Hay Summary

Things are still far from normal in Missouri, several farmers have now began to mend fences and clean up after the last round of winter storms. Most but not all residents have had their power restored, some however, going on 14 days as of this report without power. Trucks are back to moving hay up and down the roads, if they can find any to haul. The supply of hay is light, demand is good, and prices firm. The Missouri Department of Agriculture has a hay hotline available for buyers and sellers. To be listed, or for a directory, call 1-800-877-4HAY(4429).(All prices per ton unless specified) Supreme quality Alfalfa(RFV>185) 140.00-175.00 premium quality Alfalfa(RFV170-180) 140.00-175.00 Fair to Good quality Alfalfa (RFV130-170) Round bales 80.00-140.00 Small, Big squares 100.00-180.00 Good quality mixed Alfalfa and grass small square bales 3.00-6.00 per bale, 40.00-75.00 per large round bale Good to Premium quality Prairie hay small squares 80.00-125.00, Fair to good quality Prairie hay 50.00-75.00, Premium Quality Brome large Squares 90.00-140.00 Good quality Brome 50.00-80.00 Fair quality Brome and mixed with grass round bales 25.00-50.00. Good quality Timothy Hay 3.00-4.50 per small square bale, Good quality Mixed Grass hay 25.00-75.00 per round bale. Fair to good quality bluestem 40.00 per round bale, Fair to good quality millet/sudan grass round bale 50.00-55.00, Fair to good quality Bermuda grass 65.00 per round bale Wheat hay 50.00-70.00, Wheat straw 1.75-3.50 per small bale. Corn stalks 20.00-25.00 per large round bale.

Dairy Cattle Sales

Dairy Cattle Receipts 570, (Springfield 1/23/07) Springer Heifers, Approved 1350,00-1725,00, Medium 925,00-1275,00, Common 650,00-880,00, Bred 3-6 months: Supreme 1740,00-1860,00, Approved 1225,00-1735,00, Medium 810,00-1040,00. Open Heifers: Approved 200-300 lbs 570.00-650.00, 400-500 800.00-840.00, Medium 200-300 lbs 245.00-300.00, 400-500 lbs 600.00-650.00, 500-585lbs crossbreds 400.00-680.00 per head. .Calves: Holstein Heifers 170.00-420.00, Holstein Bulls 95.00-160.00, Jersey Bulls 25.00-45.00, Crossbred Bulls 165.00-215.00.

Buffalo Goat and Sheep Market

Receipts: 1222, last month 1940, last year n/a

Sheep Slaughter Lambs: Choice 1-3 wooled 60-70 lbs 103.00-108.00, 70-90 lbs 127.00-138.00, 90-100 lbs 110.00-121.00, 100-110 lbs 104.50-115.00. <u>Feeder Lambs</u>: small frame 30-40 lbs 97.50. 50-52 lbs. 114.00-132.00, Slaughter Ewes: Utility and good 1-2 37.00-55.00, one package 92.50, Cull 52.50-61.00. Slaughter Bucks: few 160-223 lbs 47.00-50.00. **Goats:** Kids, Selection 1 50-60 lbs 118.00-121.50, 60-70 lbs 112.00-115.00, 70-80 lbs 102.00-107.00, Selection 2 50-60 lbs. 106.00-116.00. Selection 3 80-90 lbs 64.00-77.00. <u>Does/Nannies</u> Selection 2-3 44.00-65.00. Billies: Selection 1-3 90-155 lbs medium flesh 50.00-72.00. (all prices per cwt.) Replacement classes: Does/Nannies Selection 1-2 115-145 lbs 60.00-95.00 per head, large group of milking nannies 50.00-75.00 per head, few with kids at 67.00-90.00 per family. Stocker/Feeder Kids: Selection 1 30-40 lbs. 114.00-118.00. Selection 2-3 30-40 lbs 80.00-110.00, 40-50 lbs 113.00-119.00 per cwt.

WEEKLY COMMODITY GRAIN FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last Friday: Soybeans .05 to .07, Wheat nearby .01 to .04 lower, new crop .02 to .04 higher, Corn nearby unchanged to .01 lower, new crop .03 to .08 higher, KC Wheat nearby .01 lower, new crop .01 to .02 higher, Soybean meal 2.00 to 3.50 lower.

Daily Grain Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
Soybeans Mar May Jul Aug Sep	717 1/4 732 3/4 745 3/4 752 1/2 757	727 1/4 742 754 3/4 760 1/2 764	715 730 1/2 743 1/4 748 1/2 755	713 1/4 728 1/2 742 748 753	710 1/2 726 1/4 739 3/4 746 1/2 752
Wheat Mar May Jul Sep Dec	465 478 3/4 487 493 505	480 1/4 493 500 1/4 506 518	466 480 488 494 3/4 507 1/2	468 3/4 481 1/4 490 1/2 496 1/2 510 3/4	463 1/2 478 485 492 505 1/2
Corn Mar May Jul Sep Dec	404 1/4 416 422 1/4 405 1/2 396 1/2	409 420 1/4 425 1/2 411 1/4 402 3/4	400 3/4 412 1/2 418 1/2 404 3/4 397 3/4	407 418 424 407 3/4 399 1/4	405 1/2 417 1/2 424 407 1/2 398 1/2
KC Wheat Mar May Jul Sep Dec	487 500 500 1/2 507 1/2 515 3/4	500 3/4 506 1/2 510 517 526 1/2	486 3/4 494 3/4 499 1/2 506 516	494 502 506 511 3/4 520	488 498 498 3/4 507 1/2 514 1/2
SB Meal Mar May Jul Aug Sep	209.20 213.10 217.60 218.80 220.50	210.30 214.50 218.90 220.50 221.80	208.40 212.90 216.80 218.50 219.80	208.30 213.30 217.50 219.50 221.00	205.80 211.00 215.40 217 40 219.00

WEEKLY COMMODITY FUTURES TREND

Compared to last Friday: Live Cattle nearby .50 to .83 lower, others .30 to .63 higher, Lean Hogs 1.60 to 2.30 higher, Pork Bellies 3.50 to 4.45 higher, Feeder Cattle .10 to .88 higher.

Daily Entures Classes

Daily Futures Closes					
	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
Cattle Feb Apr Jun Aug Oct	90.25 92.70 89.07 87.40 90.45	89.57 92.52 88.95 87.17 90.25	89.85 92.92 89.10 87.50 90.75	90.12 92.97 89.42 87.65 91.07	90.22 93.57 89.70 88.02 91.22
Lean Hogs Feb Apr May Jun Jul	60.95 64.55 72.92 74.40 73.62	61.80 65.30 73.27 75.02 74.02	62.82 66.67 74.27 75.97 74.70	63.35 67.50 74.70 76.65 75.00	63.87 67.85 74.80 76.87 74.97
Prk Bel Feb Mar May Jul Aug	95.87 95.80 95.50 96.95 96.60	96.05 96.60 96.02 98.05 96.60	98.92 98.80 98.50 100.05 98.50	98.10 98.45 98.50 99.70 98.50	110.20 100.37 100.15 100.20 99.00
Fdr Cat Jan Mar Apr May Aug	94.42 92.37 94.80 95.80 98.80	94.45 92.52 94.50 95.55 98.35	94.70 93.70 93.35 96.50 99.20	94.72 94.30 95.95 97.02 99.45	94.10 96.45 97.32 99.40
Milk Jan Feb Mar	13.50 13.66 13.81	13.54 13.73 13.95	13.54 13.73 13.93	13.54 14.05 14.37	13.56 14.22 14.50

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MISSOURI GRAIN WEEKLY TRENDS

Soybeans .03 to .09 lower Wheat .01 to .03 lower Corn .01 to .05 lower Grain Sorghum .01 to .02 lower

Weekly Missouri Selected Cash Grain Bids

Area	#1 Soybean	#2 Soft Wheat	#2 Corn	#2 Grain Sorghum
Kansas City Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	6.82 6.88 6.80 6.78 6.76	3.47 3.61 3.47 3.54 3.48	3.87 3.92 3.84 3.90 3.89	6.68 6.57 6.54 6.64 6.63
St. Louis Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	6.97-7.03 7.07-7.14 7.01-7.04 6.99-7.02 6.96-7.06	4.35 4.52 4.39 4.39 4.34	4.01-4.03 4.00-4.08 3.96-3.98 3.99-4.02 3.99-4.01	7.17 7.26 7.12 7.23 7.21
Central Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	6.55-6.62 6.72 6.60 6.58 6.56-6.58	3.65-3.88 3.80 3.66 3.69-3.75 3.64	3.70-3.76 3.75 3.67-3.69 3.69-3.75 3.74	6.16 6.26 6.14 6.25 6.23
S.E. MO Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	6.92-6.99 7.06-7.10 6.95-7.02 6.95-6.99 6.92-7.00	4.33-4.40 4.48-4.55 4.34-4.43 4.37-4.44 4.31-4.39	3.91-3.98 3.96-4.01 3.85-3.90 3.91-3.94 3.91-3.94	7.26-7.48 7.35-7.48 7.28-7.42 7.39-7.53 7.35-7.46

(PRICES PER BU. EXCEPT GR. SORG. PER CWT)
*NEW CROP

Corn, Soybean & Cotton Production Up From 2005

"Missouri corn pollination avoided late July heat and soybeans benefited from August rains, producing above average yields for those crops, while cotton production set a new record for the third year in a row," said Gene Danekas, Director, Missouri Agricultural Statistics. "Tobacco and potato production were also up substantially over last year. However, like last year, hay production again struggled due to heat and dryness that cut yields to below average in many areas of the State." Missouri soybean production totaled 194 million bushels in 2006, up 7 percent from the 2005 crop. Farmers in Missouri harvested 5.11 million of the 5.15 million acres planted in the State. Missouri yields averaged 38 bushels per acre, up 1 bushel from last year but down 7 bushels from the record set in 2004. Corn production in Missouri during 2006 totaled 363 million bushels, 10 percent above a year earlier. Yields for the State averaged 138 bushels per acre, up 27 bushels from the 2005 yield but 24 bushels below the record 2004 yield. Corn for grain was produced from 2.63 million acres out of 2.70 million planted acres, while 60,000 acres were cut for silage. Missouri grain sorghum production totaled 8.08 million bushels, down 18 percent from 2005. Planted acreage, at 100,000, is the second-lowest on record, above only 99,000 planted in 1951. Sorghum for grain was harvested on 95,000 acres. Average yield for the State was 85 bushels per acre, up 9 bushels from 2005 but 23 bushels below the record yield 2 years earlier. Missouri cotton production is estimated at a record 985,000 bales, 14 percent above the previous record high of 2005 and the third year in a row of record cotton production. The State yield is estimated at 953 pounds, slightly higher than last year and the second highest yield on record, below only 1,054 pounds in 2004. Planted acreage of 500,000 is the highest level since 1952, with 496,000 acres harvested. Rice production in Missouri during 2006 totaled 13.7 million cwt, 3 percent below last year's record crop. Yield is estimated at 6,400 pounds per acre, 200 pounds below 2005. Farmers harvested 214,000 of the 216,000 acres. Hay production in the State totaled 6.94 million tons, 3 percent above the 2005 production. Missouri hay yields averaged 1.68 tons per acre, the same as a year earlier. Harvested area of all hay, at 4.14 million acres, increased 4 percent over 2005.